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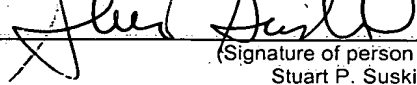
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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SERIAL NO.: 09/976,347

FILED: October 12, 2001

FOR: COMBINATION USE OF  
ACETYLCHOLINESTERASE  
INHIBITORS AND GABA<sub>A</sub>  
INVERSE AGONISTS FOR THE  
TREATMENT OF COGNITIVE  
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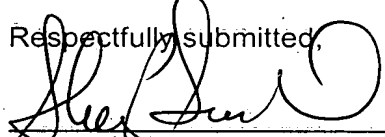
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Sir: Response

This document responds to the Office Action in the above application that was mailed to Applicants' attorney on March 12, 2003. The Office Action specifies a thirty day period for responding that expires on April 12, 2003.

In the Office Action, the Examiner restricted the claims of the above application into Groups I through II. Applicants elect herein to prosecute the subject matter of Group I.

Respectfully submitted,



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